instead of asking the Panchayat to do the same. I withdraw the motion.

Motion by leave withdrawn.

Cut Motion No. 4

Completing the road from Komanthuruthu to Nettur ferry

Mr. V. N. Damodaran Nambiar *(Trippunittura):* Sir, I move *to reduce the allotment of Rs. 1,99,095 for Communications—Original by Re. 1.*

(The urgent necessity of completing the road from Komanthuruthu to the Nettur ferry).

This motion is simply to point out to the Government the urgent necessity of completing the Komanthuruthu-Nettur road beginning from the Komanthuruthu bridge that was constructed, I believe, mainly for the purpose of providing communication from Kadavanthra and the subarban places to Nettur. This bridge was constructed between the small island of Komanthuruthu and Kadavanthra in order to provide a through route from the main land through the small island of Komanthuruthu to Nettur proper. In connection with this proposed road I understand that land acquisition works were completed as early as 1110. I speak subject to correction. I think it is a fact that it has been completed at least about 3 or 4 years ago.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* I do not think that any land acquisition has been effected in that area.

Mr. V. N. Damodaran Nambiar *(Trippunittura):* Probably then, the whole distance is poramboke. The distance between the bridge and the Nettur ferry is very small and there is no land to be acquired. The bridge itself will become useless if this road is not completed. The island of Komanthuruthu is a small one and the population is very negligible. If the bridge has got any purpose, it is only to provide a through route from the main land of Kadavanthra to Nettur and other places. I therefore request the Government, especially in view of the fact that there is no expenditure for land acquisition and other incidental charges to begin with, to see that this small distance of road is constructed this year itself so that it may as well be a matter of relief to the unemployed poor of this locality.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* Sir, The proposal for constructing the bridge mentioned by the mover of this

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cut motion was once started on account of the fact that there is an important church situated in one of the islands and the inhabitants wanted a bridge to cross over. The idea was to construct a foot bridge and that was all what they wanted. But, when I constructed the bridge, I thought that by increasing the width of the bridge a little without much additional expenditure it could be made a road bridge. At that time there was no intention of making a connected road in the area mentioned by the mover. But since the work is not of a great magnitude, I shall consider that.

Mr. V. N. Damodaran Nambiar *(Trippunittura):* May I know whether the Nettur-Panangad road started from the Nettur-Komanthuruthu ferry?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* Yes.

Mr. V. N. Damodaran Nambiar *(Trippunittura):* Then, in that case, the road connecting Kadavanthra and Nettur will become absolutely necessary, because the road will also proceed to Panangad.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* I shall consider that.

Mr. V. N. Damodaran Nambiar *(Trippunittura):* In view of the assurance, I withdraw the motion.

Motion by leave withdrawn

Cut Motion No. 5

Road from Karlom to Karuvannur Bridge

Mr. Puthur Achyuta Menon *(Kattur):* Sir, I move *to reduce the allotment of Rs. 1,99,085 for Communication—Original works—by Re. 1.*

(To impress upon the Government the immediate necessity of opening a road from Karlom (Kumaranchira temple Road) to Karuvannur Bridge).

Sir, I do not want to make a lengthy speech on this matter because I am certain the member in charge of the department has clearly studied the whole situation. I am urging not for a new road, but there already exists the Karuvannur bund which has to be repaired in a way. As it is, during monsoon times people slip and fall down. If you spend some money it will be helpful to the people. It is to bring this matter to the notice of the Covernment that I have tabled this motion, and I think this will receive the sympathetic consideration of our Government.

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